



AASHE Board of Directors Meeting

August 25, 2023
11:00 am - 12:30 pm

APPROVED Meeting Minutes

Attendance (X – present; R – regrets; A - absent):

Board

x	Jenny Hirsch
x	Francois Miller
x	Meghna Tare
x	David Phillips
R	Raghu Raghavan
x	Rania Assariotaki

x	Ashwani Vasishth
x	Chris O'Brien
x	Stephania Fregosi
x	Daryl Pierson

Management & Guests

	Meghan Fay Zahniser (Executive Director)
	Domna Gallion (Accounting & Operations Manager)

1. Call to Order

- Determination of Quorum
- Opening Round and Introductions

2. Consent Agenda

- July Executive Committee Minutes
- June 16, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Motion to Approve Executive Committee Minutes and June Board Minutes

Moved by: Ashwani Vasishth
Seconded by: Francois Miller

Motion Carried

3. Organizational Updates

Executive Director Update: Meghan

- Noteworthy since the June meeting:
 - Sustainability Education Forum for faculty - thanks to Daita's efforts - Over 142 participants
 - STARS 3.0 launch getting closer - nearly all categories completed with public comment
 - AASHE Conference - about 75 in-person sessions at conference. Thinking about adding a virtual event in November to utilize more education proposals submitted
 - All signs point to a successful in-person conference. 1500 attendees is maximum capacity.
 - Kimberly is already working on a 2024 conference location. Possible announcement of 2024 location at 2023 conference closing. Board members will be informed ahead of any public announcement

- HBCU Climate Change Conference; AASHE is a sponsor this year and Kimberly will be attending. (Jenny)

- Conference Expectations for Board Members:
 - Opening session. Master Class: Seating for Board in front.
 - Recording all sessions for virtual distribution is outside AASHE's budget
 - Additional logistical information for conference will be forthcoming
 - Jenny requested spreadsheet on board arrival/departure with specific participation
 - Ashwani introduced possibility of hybrid 2024 conference; Meghan will share with team

Ongoing Board Business

- Chair Update: Jenny
 - ED midyear update. Meghan has updated metrics in her report

- Governance (Francois)
 - Officer Elections:
 - President: Francois Miller
 - Vice President: Stephania Fregosi
 - Treasurer: Daryl Pierson
 - Secretary: Rania Assariotaki (Domna will continue to take minutes)

MOTION: Motion to Approve Officer Candidates for next year

Moved by: Ashwani Vasishth

Seconded by: Chris O'Brien

Motion Carried

- Meghna, Jenny and David will be rotating off Board at the end of the year
 - We will move from 10 to 7 members with those rotating off
 - Proposal to add 4 board members next year; two appointed and two elected. All agreed to proceed.
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- RESJ Framework (Jenny)
 - Task force is very active

- Plans for RESJ workshop at conference
- Plan to release public statement after workshop

- Finance Update (David)
 - No midyear meeting for finance committee
 - Nothing of concern to present
 - Meghan and Domna drafting 2024 budget
 - Board role in budget approval is primarily for exceptions and strategic investments
 - STARS 3.0, 2 membership staff positions, and new AMS (consultants and parallel systems) are priorities next year (Meghan)
 - Resume monthly meeting between Domna, David, and Daryl to begin treasurer transition

- Board Retreat
 - Email Jenny with any suggestions for topics and interactive participation at board retreat
 - RESJ workshop
 - Board retreat planning meeting in September

4. Closing Round

- Next board meeting is retreat on October 28-29, 2023

5. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm